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PATENT

Case No. 11489-34894

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
CresTech, LLC) Group Art No.: 1731
Serial No: 09/826,023)
Filing Date: 04/04/2001)
Title: REMOVAL OF SOLUBILIZED)
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Inasmuch as Applicant has not received a first Office Action and, that to Applicant's knowledge, a first Office Action has not been mailed, Applicant respectfully submits that, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b), the present Information Disclosure Statement is eligible for consideration without Certification, Petition, or payment of any fee.

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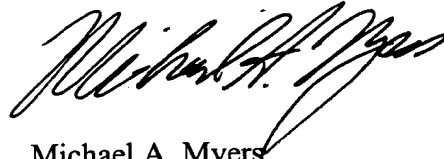
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Examiner require any additional petition or fee, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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